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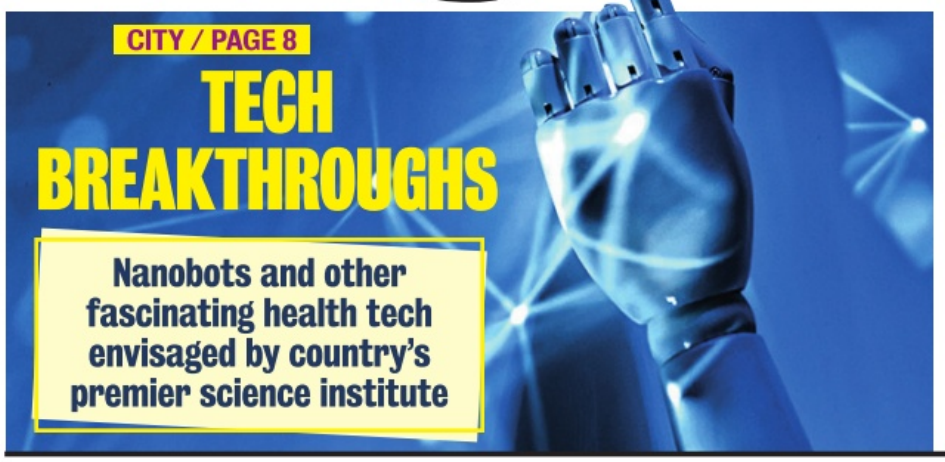

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Supply down by 40% due to sudden showers and climatic variations

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SUBURBAN RAIL RUNNING LATE

Dragging feet over project that can be lifeline for commuters?

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We hate to be the bearers of bad news — but as all those waiting to board the train to suburbia are by now quite cynical, this may not come as a big downer, you see — work on the project that was to start now, is expected to begin only next month we are told. However, the officials in charge are confident that despite the hiccups, the 148-km-stretch of rail will be ready within the stipulated time.

The Rail Infrastructure Development Company (Karnataka) Limited (K-RIDE) has now announced that work on the suburban rail project will commence from next month. According to K-RIDE officials, the project was never delayed but has stuck to the schedule and will be completed within six years.

K-RIDE managing director Amit Garg told Bangalore Mirror, "The project is not getting delayed. We are absolutely on time. The project was sanctioned in October 2020. Out of the 18 months, roughly eight

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"The cost of constructing suburban rail is Rs 100 crore per km whereas Metro takes about Rs 500 crore per km. Why is suburban rail not favoured? –Rajkumar Dugar, C4C

Nights on track: Switch on silent mode folks

Railways to take action against passengers who fail to maintain prescribed etiquette during train travel

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Talking loudly over the phone or listening to loud music in a moving train could land you in trouble as the Rail Ministry along with the Railway Board have come up with new rules that passengers would have to adhere to prescribed etiquette while travelling with fellow riders.

According to the new rules, passengers can neither talk loudly over phone nor listen to music loudly during night travel, and if any passenger complains, it will be the responsibility of the rail staff present in the train to resolve the issue by taking stringent action against offenders.

The Railway Board had recently held a meeting involving several passenger representatives who often complained that people travelling together in their coach were either talking loudly on their phones or listening to music till late in the night, and some of them even engaged in playing games with loud sounds, and watched Instagram reels.

"Of course, this can be allowed without any problem if the passenger is wearing his/her earphones or headphones, but certainly not on phone

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3 THINGS TO DO

01 Songs from a room

Aanchal Bordoloi, an Assamese musician and songwriter, will be performing original compositions that she's been writing since she was 19, at this Sunday's RS Connect. She writes all her songs in English, and is influenced by musicians such as Bob Dylan, Mumford and Sons, Lianne La Havas and Laura Marling. Unrequited love and questioning gender norms in a patriarchal society are some things she likes to sing and write about.
Where: Ranga Shankara
When: April 24, 5.30 pm - 6.30 pm
Entry: Free, 080 2649 3982

02 Just for the kids

Jagriti Theatre's children's show - Anytime Stories with Granny Ru. Anytime Stories with Granny Ru is designed for young children using dramatic storytelling making the imaginary worlds of Henny Penny, Old Woman & the Pig and Jack & the Beanstalk come alive. Performed by Arundhati Raja, this show is a must-watch for anyone who loves to disappear into the exciting world of Children's stories.
Where: Jagriti Theatre; When: April 24, 11 am; Tickets: bookmyshow.com

03 Women in art

Check out 'The Primacy of 5' the first ever solo show of Bengaluru-based artist Jay Varma, a fifth generation descendent of Raja Ravi Varma. Comprising some of Jay's earliest works, the show will feature 13 paintings done in a variety of mediums, ranging from color pencil work to graphite (how the artist started his career) and ending with oil paintings. In this series, Jay Varma brings to the fore five women from the Ramayana and Mahabharata. **Where: Gallery G, Lavelle Road; When: till April 30**

Craving mangoes? Be ready for a dampener

'Tis the season of king of fruits but supply is down by 40 per cent due to sudden showers and erratic climatic conditions; farmers are crestfallen

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Mango stalls and pop-ups are a common sight in the city during this time (file)

For most Bengalureans, summer in the city is synonymous with ice creams, chilled lassi, and mangoes. The king of fruits is a classic favourite enjoyed in a variety of forms: you can scoop it out, churn in into juice, and simply enjoy a chopped bowl of it. However, this time, city folks may be in for a disappointment as supply is lower as compared to other years, thanks to an erratic spate of rain and climatic conditions.

Paradoxically, while it is the season of mangoes and there seems to be no glut in the produce, sources said that this time, the mango supply was down by 40 per cent. The reduction in production is due to unseasonal rainfall witnessed in the mango belt during October and November last year. Farmers also say that flowering of the plants is down by at least 50 per cent due to increase in rainfall and cold.

Usually, the cycle is such that in one year, there will be a good supply of mangoes and year that follows has a comparatively lesser one. Going by this, 2022 should have been a bumper year for mangoes. However, farmers say that there was reduction in flowering of the plants in the months of December and January. The mangoes are grown on two lakh hectares of land in the state.

The annual production of mangoes is to the tune of 14-15 lakh metric tonnes and with a 40 per cent reduction in production, it is expected that around eight lakh metric tonnes of mangoes may hit the market this year. While in a few shops, mangoes are available almost across the year, the mango season is still considered from March second week to August.

The Bengaluru market also receives a steady supply of mangoes from Tamil Nadu as well. The mango production in TN has also been reduced by 50 per cent. Unexpected rainfall and infestation of insects are said to be the reasons for the drop in Tamil Nadu's production. The nearby districts of Krishnagiri and Dharmapuri have also seen a low mango yield this year.

Watch before you buy

If the mango that you buy isn't tasty or supple enough, it has been possibly ripened artificially using calcium carbide. The calcium carbide is wrapped in small packets and placed between fruits for quick ripening. Many traders use ethylene sachets which are kept below the straws in the packed boxes. Apart from poor taste and quality, these mangoes can put you at the risk of headache, dizziness, sleep disorders affecting the neurological system causing memory loss and cancer. Officials say that it is illegal to use chemical packets to ripen fruits.

How to identify chemical usage?

- Naturally ripened mangoes sink in water while others float
- Artificially ripened fruits have a uniform colour
- Artificially ripened fruits have a milder aroma and are not juicy and supple

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Arithmophobia? 7k students give exam a miss

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The II PUC exams, on in full swing in the state, began on April 22, and are slated to go on till May 18. While approximately 6,84,255 students are expected to sit for the exam, the mathematics exam that was held on Saturday saw 7,133 absentees.

Of the absentees, 289 students (including 136 freshers) in Bengaluru North and 343 in Bengaluru South (including 206 freshers) did not sit for the exam. Meanwhile, three students who had demanded their right to wear Hijab and had even filed a petition in the High Court also skipped the paper on Saturday.

On Friday, two girls refused to take the exam despite getting their hall tickets as they said that the college administration insisted that they would be allowed to write exams only after removing the hijab – a mandate they refused to accept.

Meanwhile, experts say that Saturday's exam was not a difficult one. Milind Chippalakatti, Head, Knowledge Management, Deeksha, said, "The maths question paper this year was easy. Two questions were slightly difficult; otherwise, the remaining questions were easily solvable. An average student can expect around 35-40 marks. There were no out-of-syllabus questions."

According to him, compared to the 2019-20 paper, maths paper was very easy and more choices were provided for each part. There were cumulatively 66 questions; out of that, students had to answer only 37 questions. "There were no mistakes in the question paper. There is a change in pattern compared to last exam, more choices were given and this was announced by the board well in advance."

Fewer takers for children's vaccine

BBMP officials say low demand is due to vacation, lack of urgency, hesitancy

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A health worker vaccinates a boy against covid-19 in Bengaluru on Wednesday

With over 48 per cent of the population in the 12-14 age group having received the first dose of the covid vaccine, the pace of vaccination in this age group has slowed down significantly. According to official data, while 62,314 children in the city received their first jab between April 1 and April 10, it went down to just 39,000 between April 11 and April 20. So far, little over 1.36 lakh individuals have received their first dose.

As per the Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike (BBMP) officials and school associations, the slowing down of the pace is not entirely unlooked for.

They say this sharp decline may be attributed to reasons such as the ongoing summer vacation, lack of urgency and parents' hesitancy toward the vaccine. "The pace has certainly slowed down. Most of the city schools were functioning till April 9 and while we tried our level best to vaccinate as many students as possible, we could cover only a certain percentage of our target population. This was also examination season with class X examinations on. Thus, we could never reach the envisioned pace," said Dr AS Balasundar, chief health officer, Health Department, BBMP.

With the infection rate and the number of cases ebbed, officials say there is a lack of urgency among parents, leading to fewer and fewer individuals in the kids' group coming for the vaccine.

Moreover, many parents are still shot-shy and are worried about the adverse side effects and health complications of Corbavex.

> **"There is no way to accelerate the pace before the schools reopen on or after May 15. The majority of the schools are not functioning**
>
> –D Shashi Kumar, KAMS

"Parents are still reluctant to get their children jabbed. They are not turning up in good numbers for their booster dosage. We are trying our best to motivate and persuade them. Despite that, the majority of them do not want to get vaccinated during the ongoing vacation. While the fear of the pandemic is waning, the parents should note that there is again a rise in the cases in other states and also in Bengaluru over the last few days. The pandemic is very much around and the only way to protect children is through the vaccine," said a BBMP official.

While little under 50 per cent of the target population in the age group of 12-14 in the city has already received the first dose of the vaccine, the entire population is expected to be covered over the next two weeks.

Officials say, while the summer vacation is on, many schools are still coordinating with the Palike and getting their children vaccinated. "We are in touch with the schools and our counterparts in other districts to understand how many children under our target population are getting vaccinated in other parts of the state. Although the holidays are declared, many schools are continuing with special classes and summer camps, and we are trying to make the most out of these events. We have asked the schools to conduct parent-teacher meetings every week so that they are updated on the number of children getting jabbed outside the city," informed Dr Balasundar.

However, school associations say the drive will now have to wait for a month to pick up the desired pace. "There is no way to accelerate the pace before the schools reopen on or after May 15. The majority of the schools are not functioning, and parents are reluctant to get the vaccine. Only a handful of educational institutions are conducting summer programs and special classes. It will be a different scenario once the classes begin, post the vacation. The setback is due to a lack of proper planning. We were not informed in time," said D Shashi Kumar, general secretary, Associated Managements of Primary and Secondary Schools in Karnataka.

Masks not off, strict implementation looms

With an uptick in Covid cases, the health department is keen on enforcing masks usage, but will wait for an official signal from the TAC and the government. As of April 23, 132 cases were reported from the city with the TPR remaining at 2.23%. According to data provided by the BBMP Health Department, out of the 132 cases, one person was admitted to an ICU with a ventilator, three in HDU and five in general.

But the city is yet to stringently enforce the mask rule. Other states with uptick in cases like Delhi have already begun stringent enforcement of masks and penalisation of violators. Masks are not yet going to be enforced but BBMP is going to use its team of marshals to be more vigilant. "We have never relaxed rule over use of masks. We will be informing our marshals to be more vigilant now" said Dr KV Trilok Chandra, BBMP Special Commissioner (Health).

"The State Health Department expressed the need for mask usage during pandemic times but will wait for official instructions from the government and the revenue department," he said.

He said as cases have slightly risen in the city, they are vigilant for clustering and any new variants. Hospitalisations seem to be nil and death remains zero for the past two weeks.

"We haven't withdrawn the circular regarding mask usage to date. However, we will be waiting for the response from the government and the revenue department on enforcement," he said. The Disaster Management Act is administered by the revenue department.

"A larger call will be taken by the government in consultation with the Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) on whether it needs to be made mandatory with earlier provisions. For this, the Disaster Management Act would have to be invoked" said State Health Commissioner, Randeep D.

—Melvin Mathew

After 38 days, Bengaluru cases cross 100

The covid cases have started rising in the city with 132 cases reported in the last 24 hours. This is the first time since March 15, Benglauru had crossed 100 plus cases. On Friday, the City had reported 85 fresh cases. With the surge in Bengaluru, the State's daily tally was 139. There have been no covid deaths.

Health Commissioner D Randeep has clarified that there is no new emergence of new covid-19 mutants, BA 2.10 and BA 2.12 in Bengaluru. Covid hospitalisations have not seen any increase and covids deaths have been nil over the past few days.

However, the Health Department has stepped up measures to tackle the emerging situation in the state.

A decision has been taken to increase the number of tests in the state, especially in Bengaluru. The authorities are worried that a higher number of Covid cases are being reported from Mahadevapura and East Zones in Bengaluru where most major IT companies are located with lakhs of software professionals at work.

CN Manjunath, director of Sri Jayadeva Institute of Cardiovascular Sciences and Research, Bengaluru, said on Saturday that Covid variants BA.2.10 and BA.2.12 have been found in the state.

BA.2 variants were earlier found in New Delhi and Mumbai. Manjunath feels there is a possibility of a fourth Covid wave beginning in Karnataka in three to four weeks, and the BA.2 variant might be responsible for the surge.

However, if a fourth wave hits the state, the number of people getting admitted to hospitals will be lesser than before though the infection will spread rapidly, Manjunath stated. "People need to be cautious," he warned.

Those with comorbidities need to be cautious, while wearing masks should again be made mandatory, Manjunath said. He also advised people not to neglect symptoms of fever, cough and cold and get tested at the earliest.

India's total tally of cases rose to 4,30,54,952, while active cases have increased to 15,079, according to Union health ministry data updated on Saturday. The death toll has climbed to 5,22,149 with 33 fatalities, the data updated at 8 am stated. The active cases comprise 0.04 per cent of the total infections, while the national covid-19 recovery rate has been recorded at 98.75 per cent, the health ministry said. An increase of 838 cases has been recorded in the active covid-19 caseload in a span of 24 hours.

The daily positivity rate has been recorded at 0.56 per cent and the weekly positivity rate at 0.50 per cent, according to the Health Ministry.

—BMB & Agencies

Rough road is causing terribly tough times

Bad condition of 2nd Cross in Gayatri Nagar is constant scourge for residents of Malleswaram ward, causing injuries, respiratory illnesses

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Residents of Malleswaram ward are troubled by the bad condition of their roads throughout the year. During summers, dust tortures them and during rains, they're tormented by waterlogging and puddles formed in potholes. Their misery only multiplied in the last four months when the roads were being dug up for some reason or the other. Take the 2nd Cross in Gayatri Nagar for example. It was dug by the BWSSB and remains unrestored. It is said that the road has been dug nine times since it was dug in December, last year; but it has been restored only once.

At this point, it seems to have turned into a three-lane death trap as multiple cuts (dug up spots) on the road have divided the stretch into narrow lanes. This has left very little space for most vehicles, even two-wheelers, to commute safely.

Srikanth SG, a resident, said BWSSB had told them it was digging the road to replace a 70-year-old pipe. "The road digging started in December 2021... Usually, the roads are supposed to be tarred again but this has not happened here," said Srikanth who has lived in the area for 60 years.

Residents claimed a lack of planning has caused BWSSB to dig the road multiple times. Reportedly, three pipelines were laid on the same road by three different contractors.

The 2nd Cross in Gayatri Nagar in Malleswaram ward has been dug nine times since December last year, it is said

"I was admitted to a hospital due to the dust and am yet to recover. My brother-in-law's son too was taken to the hospital twice and was taken to the ICU once
– Prasanna R, resident

Residents are concerned as cabbies refuse to pick or drop passengers on this road. It is dangerous to commute via this stretch.

"Two-wheeler riders have fallen and endured minor injuries on this road. Many have asked for CCTV footage to file complaints," said Ashok who owns a commercial establishment in the area. If and when four-wheelers find themselves on this road, they end up grazing past parked vehicles on either side of the stretch due to space-related issues caused by the cuts on the road.

Further, residents alleged some have developed respiratory illnesses due to the dust on the road. They added, the pathetic state of the road poses threat to the wellbeing of senior citizens and pregnant women.

"I was admitted to a hospital due to the dust and am yet to recover. My brother-in-law's son too was taken to the hospital twice and was taken to the ICU once," said Prasanna R, who has lived in the area for 78 years. Some keep their windows shut at all times fearing such illnesses.

Other than road-related troubles, electric and telephone lines along the stretch are also damaged.

"Roughly 1,500 landlines in the area have not been working for 15 days now," said Ashok. Moreover, folks from other localities have been dumping waste here at nighttime.

Unfortunately, several complaints from residents have been ignored. So when they filed an official complaint on March 28 and were informed that the work was being carried out in a phased manner, their immediate fear was that the project could be extended by a few more months.

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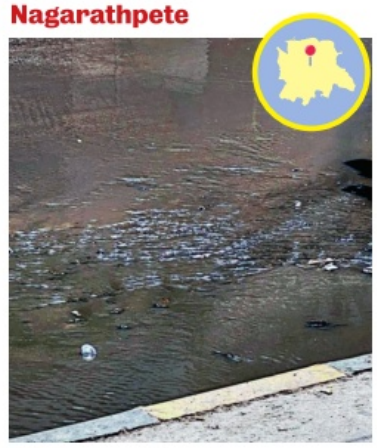

Since the road works were completed recently, sewage water has been leaking onto the Dharmaraya Swamy Temple Road. Residents are unable to walk here.

Dire straits

Kasturi Nagar

Between 1st and 2nd Main, 1st D Cross, is damaged. This is very dangerous. Despite complaints, BBMP has not restored this stretch.

Trains to suburbs yet to pull in

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months were lost to covid. For the next 10 months, work has progressed at an impressive pace on par with any company or corporation. Out of the four corridors, two have received complete approval of the alignment plan from Railways and the design for 30 out of 60 stations has been completed. The first construction tender will be awarded soon. Land surveys and geological investigations are also in place."

Previously, K-RIDE had announced that tenders for the 25-km (Corridor 2) Baiyyappanahalli Terminal-Chikkabanavara will be awarded by mid-April. Under the project, four corridors have been planned — 41.40-km KSR Bengaluru City to Devanahalli (Corridor 1), 35.52-km Kengeri-Cantonment to Whitefield (Corridor 3) and 46.24-km Heelalige to Rajanakunte (Corridor 4).

Garg insisted the public also view the complexity of the project before talking about the delay.

"Railways' projects by their very nature tend to be complex; needing several compliances and regulatory mechanisms, keeping safety as the key target. We have 150 km with 60 stations and the construction is happening alongside an operational line. We also want to devote a lot of time to the drawing board as there are multiple stakeholders involved and it is vital to take everyone's view into account," added Garg.

When's the train coming?

However, citizens are not feeling the same confidence over the timeliness of the suburban railway project.

"Twenty-five per cent of the allotted time (2,190 days) is completed and we want to know how the project will be completed within six years. K-RIDE has been giving multiple excuses such as paperwork is ongoing, it is being planned, the project is complicated, there are land acquisition issues and so on. Even if K-RIDE waits for all the land acquisitions to be completed, they would need five to six years to start. They should start constructing stretches that have received clearance," suggested Rajkumar Dugar, founder and convenor of Citizens for Citizens (C4C).

Many felt the suburban rail project will be more favoured by commuters over Metro due to the availability of washrooms in coaches and the facility to carry luggage. However, they were also of the view that Metro work is being prioritised over suburban rail. "The cost of constructing suburban railways is Rs 100 crore per km whereas Metro takes about Rs 500 crore per km. Why is the suburban railway project not being favoured despite its many advantages for commuters?" Dugar asked.

Talking about the need for the suburban railway project, he said these four corridors criss-cross through the city. "Most of the stations also have Metro stations nearby and will allow passengers to switch over from one mode of transport to another. As per the Detailed Project Report, a train will run once every 5-12 minutes which will allow thousands of commuters to move safely and thereby also decongesting the roads," he said.

Silent nights aboard trains

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speakers or bluetooth speakers," a senior railway official said.

During the meeting, there were also complaints from passengers regarding railway escort staff or maintenance staff who were also speaking in loud voices on their phones or listening to music. Apart from this, many passengers even keep lights on, even after 10 pm, due to which the sleep cycles of other passengers are getting disturbed, railway officials said.

In view of the rising number of complaints regarding the behavior of passengers using their mobile phones inside trains, the Railway Board has now decided to discourage such practices so that the menace is in check. In a circular from the Ministry of Railways and Railway Board that was sent to all the principal chief commercial managers of all zonal railways, it was stated that a drive is to be launched for onboard train staff on how to maintain etiquette in trains. The circular read the drive be launched involving onboard train staff including ticket checking officials, Railway Police Force (RPF), catering, electrical, mechanical crew among others to maintain etiquette in trains by counselling passengers to avoid loud phone calls, listening to loud music and the like. It was also stressed to avoid using the lights in cabins at night except for focus lights after 10 pm.

The circular added that it is also desired that the onboard staff be polite, tactful and courteous in their dealings with passengers leaving no room for complaints, and assistance be provided to the passengers having urgent requirements such as those above 60 years of age, differently abled, patients and single women.

'Tree'nity to save the day

MCC students, NGOs join hands to rid trees of nails, pegs, flexes on April 25

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Some trees in the city have deeper cuts. Spotted on Mosque Road, in Fraser Town, is this tree with a railing, installed by a civic agency alongside a pavement, piercing into its trunk

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Students of Mount Carmel College (MCC) and volunteers of Vruksha Foundation and Citizens 4 Citizens (C4C) have joined hands to remove pegs, pins and metal wires used to fix banners and other materials on the trees in the city. More than 100 students from MCC will be participating in this.

According to Dr Rajani Kora, coordinator, Institutional Social Responsibility Cell, MCC, the trees in the city have been reduced to agents for advertisement, and many are damaged due to the foreign materials nailed on or drilled into them.

"Students from the Department of Botany, Institute of Social Responsibility Cell, will form groups and cover the stretches from the college (Palace Road) to Millers Road and the Cantonment Railway Station. They will remove posters, banners and nails from the trees and create awareness..." said Dr Kora.

A total distance of eight kilometres will be covered under the campaign.

A few months ago, Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike (BBMP) launched its 'Nail-free Tree' campaign to rid trees of pegs and metal wires. According to volunteers, while the Palike has sent out stern messages regarding the issue several times, trees all over the city are still being abused with pinned banners and nailed posters.

"BBMP has issued several notices. The campaign will be complimenting a recent public notice by BBMP which highlighted the abuse of trees as a punishable offence under the Karnataka Tree Preservation Act, 1976. We want to rid trees of foreign objects and create awareness about the issue. It is important to involve the youth in such activities as they are going to be our future custodians," said Rajkumar Dugar, founder, C4C.

> **"Although damaging trees in Bengaluru has been deemed a criminal offence, people continue to defy the law. This is a major issue in urban areas**
>
> –Vijay Nishant, founder, Vruksha Foundation

The area to be covered will be divided into four zones and a team of 25 students in each zone will educate the public on the issue while freeing the trees from the harmful metal pieces and banners. The volunteers will be carrying small tools to pull out nails and metal wires drilled into the tree trunks. The students will also apply Neem oil to the trunks to provide protection to the trees from any infection.

It may be noted that according to the Bengaluru Municipal Act and the Tree Preservation Act it is illegal to fix any publicity materials on trees or drill nails into tree trunks.

Vijay Nishant, founder of Vruksha Foundation said that while the NGO has been conducting such events for over a decade, people continue to damage the trees.

"Drilling nails into trees can cause injuries that might lead to death. Nails and pins obstruct their supply of water... Although damaging trees in Bengaluru has been deemed a criminal offence, people continue to defy the law. This is a major issue in urban areas," said Nishant.

Man commits burglary to settle in Europe

The police said on Saturday that they have arrested a thief who committed burglaries to make money in order to settle in a European country with his Bangladeshi wife.

The arrested person is identified as Vinod Kumar aka Shareef from Hyderabad in Telangana. The cops have also nabbed his associate Rohith Mandal from West Bengal.

Sanjaynagar police who arrested the accused in Bengaluru explained that they have recovered Rs 79.64 lakh worth of 792 grams of gold, Rs 2 lakh cash, 30 costly watches, six iPads.

The police worked meticulously to nab the thief in the wake of a sudden spurt in burglaries.

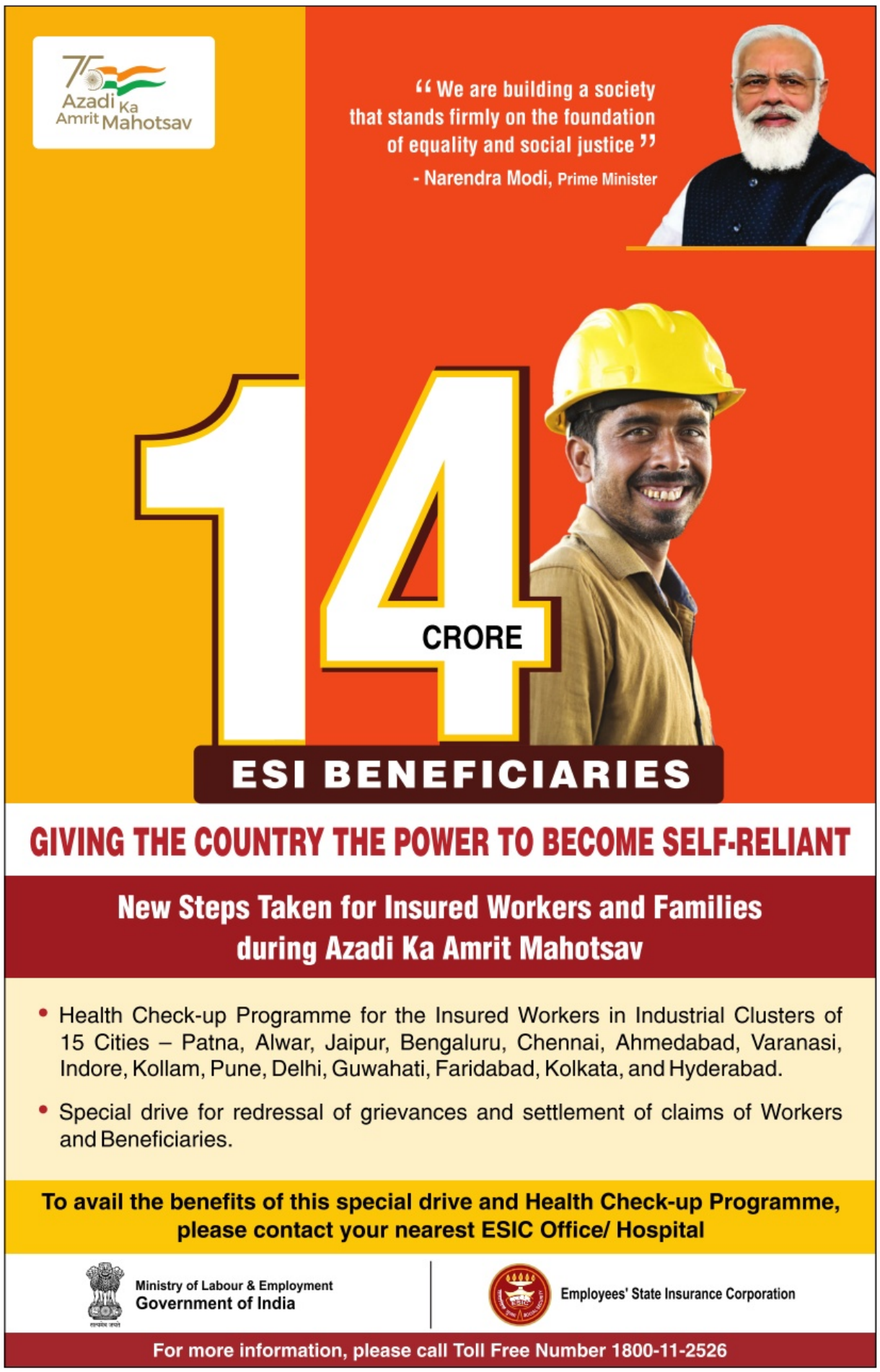
Kumar is a habitual offender thrown out by parents when he was involved in six cases of house burglaries.

Hyderabad police had also arrested him previously. After coming out of prison, he shifted to Kolkata and worked as a cab driver. There he met Mandal, and his wife from Bangladesh.

He married her and went to Bangladesh and lived there for a year. Unable to live in Dhaka, Kumar returned to India with his wife. He decided to settle down in a European country with his wife. He chose Bengaluru to commit burglaries and gather money. The accused did his research on YouTube and gathered tools for committing house burglaries.

Kumar committed 22 thefts across the city. At the time of committing burglary, the accused wore a mask and cap to hide his identity.

The police spotted him and arrested him after a big chase. He kept the stolen gold ornaments for his wife and also led a lavish life. **–IANS**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MUDA to build commercial hubs, theatres to raise fund

Of allotted Rs 13.85 crore, Rs 3.85 crore is reserved for new project

A commercial complex will be opposite the RTO office in Devanur layout at the cost of Rs 5 crore

With revenue sources drying up Mysore Urban Development Authority (MUDA), the civic body is now looking at alternatives. Hence, taking a cue from Bengaluru's civic body, the MUDA has decided to construct nine commercial complexes in the heritage city through Public-Private Partnership at the cost of Rs 13.85 crore.

A Detailed Project Report (DPR) will be prepared in this financial year and Rs 3.85 crore has been reserved for this purpose. Nine areas were identified where old buildings will be demolished and new buildings will be constructed. Along with the commercial complexes, theatres and choultries are also being built in these places.

Commissioner of MUDA Dr DB Natesh, said, "We are building commercial complexes in nine places and creating permanent sources of income. This is a project of Rs 13.85 crore and Rs 3.85 crore has been reserved."

An old commercial complex will be demolished near Padma Talkies at the cost of Rs 5 crore. A cinema hall with commercial complex in Dattagalli 3rd Stage will be built at Rs 1 crore. A commercial complex in 3rd Stage A1 Block Main Road in Vijayanagar will be built at Rs 1 crore. Another commercial complex near Hebbalu 1st Stage mini market is coming up at the cost of Rs 3.25 crore.

"MUDA earns from permitting private layouts and auctioning old sites, but they are not permanent sources

–K Mahesh, MUDA

A commercial complex opposite Krishik Bhavan in Vijayanagar 2nd stage will be built at Rs 1 crore. Another one will come up opposite the RTO office in Devanur layout 3rd Stage at the cost of Rs 5 crores.

In HUDCO Devanur layout 1st Stage, a commercial complex will be built at Rs 1 crore. After demolishing an old choultry in Siddhartha Layout, MUDA is building a new one at the cost of Rs 2 crore.

MUDA Member K Madesh said, "MUDA is getting income from permitting private layouts and auctioning of the old sites. But without permanent sources of income, it is very difficult in the future. So, if MUDA builds its own commercial complexes, there will be a permanent income."

—Prakash VL

Kejriwal's K'taka visit raises storm

Delhi politics and state politics are two entirely different things: Kumaraswamy

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The recent visit of Delhi CM and AAP National Convener Arvind Kejriwal seems to have awakened all three political parties in our state.

Congress party leader Siddaramaiah said, "AAP hasn't contested elections in this state so far. But now Kejriwal has come and said that they will field candidates in upcoming elections. Let them field; it's the people who will decide."

Reacting to this, AAP State Convener Prithvi Reddy said: "We are a newborn small party, who have shown in a very short period of time how much pro-people work is possible if honest people join together, AAP offers a ray of hope for people of our state and country. Congress is an old party and spent force, people have lost hope in this party."

Meanwhile, JDS leader HD Kumarswamy said "What will Kejriwal do in Karnataka? Is it possible to run a government in this state trusting Kejriwal? We're not able to do anything despite doing so much work, what will they do now coming from Delhi? Delhi politics and state politics are two entirely different things."

AAP leader Prithvi Reddy said, "JDS has confessed that, whenever given a chance by people of Karnataka, it has not been able to do anything about corruption, hence it should not field candidates and give Arvind Kejrwal's AAP a chance to prove what is possible. The Kejriwal led AAP is the only party has done what it says. The party that has proved in Delhi and is now proving Punjab that "0" corruption reality is not a distant dream and is possible by every means, Reddy said.

After Delhi, AAP is now proving in Punjab that zero corruption reality is not a distant dream

–Prithvi Reddy, AAP leader

Upon hearing Arvind Kejriwal's impending visit to the state, the BJP party workers, who have been mocking AAPs' electricity schemes in Delhi, have tried to implement a similar model in Karnataka by offering 75 units of electricity to SC/ST families in the state free of cost. "If the BJP stops taking 40 per cent commission they can offer at least 200 units of current free to every family in Karnataka," Reddy said.

No place for PDA

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A rider was arrested for displaying intimacy with his girlfriend while riding a motorcycle on Friday.

The video of the incident has gone viral throughout all social media platforms, prompting the police to initiate action against the rider.

The Chamarajanagar Town police have taken up a case under IPC section 279 - rash driving or riding on a public highway among other appropriate sections under the Indian Motor Vehicles Act.

According to police sources, the district senior police officials took up a case of suo-moto after they went through the troll messages and comments made on the video by the netizen villagers in their local dialect.

After video of woman and man getting intimate as the man was riding a bike goes viral, man has been arrested

It's an unknown time when the video was shot, but the video had gone viral during the last couple of days and there was much public angst against the video on social media, more of them with a tone of moral policing, a senior police officer said.

The police identified the registration number of the Bajaj Pulsar bike and summoned its owner using the B-extract from the RTO and the rider of the bike was identified as one Swamy SC, a resident of HD Kote, the police said. In the video, the rider was seen making her girlfriend sit on the fuel tank on his bike.

They were headed towards him on the Chamrajnagar-Gundlupet highway.

Since the video went viral and the cops started going through the troll comments, they thought it prudent to take up a case suo-motu and book the rider.

Swamy was arrested on Friday, and his bike was seized by the Chamarajanagar Town police who have booked him for rash and negligent riding endangering safety of the general public.

Legal experts pointed out that more than the part of negligent riding, it's the social media trolls that had led the police to take up a case suo-motu.

Dinesh Karthik knows what exactly his role is. He's moving early, he's anticipating what the bowler is going to do. The clarity and thought process is very positive and that's making the difference —Ravi Shastri

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SMASH HIT

City paddler Archana rises through ranks – along with partner Batra is World no. 4

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Archana Kamath and Manika Batra in action

Bengaluru's Archana Girish Kamath, 21, and her women's doubles partner Delhi's Manika Batra 26, are now the World's No 4, with a total of 1,501 ranking points, in the latest rankings released by the International Table Tennis Federation.

Manyu Wang and Yingsha Sun of China (4,289 points), Ito Mima and Hayata Hina of Japan (2,896 points) and Ni Lian Xia and Nutte de Sarah of Luxembourg (1,535 points) are above them.

Archana and Manika have gathered a lot of points in the four months of play in 2022.

They logged 350 points from quarter-final finish in Singapore, for 210 for a semi-final slot in Doha and got another 70 with a last eight placing in the WTT Contenders in Doha. In Muscat, they lost in the last 16 and got only four points. Yet, it was enough to take them to the fourth spot and are only 34 points behind the third placed pair.

In the WTT Contender in Lasko, Slovenia, they beat the 23rd-ranked Melanie Diaz and Adriana Diaz from Puerto Rico 11-3, 11-8, 12-10 to clinch the title in 2021 which fetched them 415 rankings points. A last eight finish in the World championships in Houston last year got them another 350 points.

All these performances saw them climb up from No 36 to No 4 and this is just the beginning of the year. In the doubles individual rankings, Archana is 10th with 1,499 points while Manika is 12th with 1,442 points.

"Manika 'di' has a fearless approach and is ready to take some risks when needed. This allows me to play more freely because I'm aggressive

–Archana Kamath

In the mixed doubles pairs rankings, Manika and Tamil Nadu's Sathiyan Gnanasekaran are at No 7 while Archana and Manav Thakkar are at No 22. In women's singles, Manika is at No 48 and Archana at No 92 out of a long list of 1,312 ranked players.

"Right now I am playing in the Team event at the Nationals. I will also be playing in the singles, doubles and mixed doubles events. Let us see how it goes," said Archana in a chat from Shillong where she is participating in the National Table Tennis Championship. Her dad Girish Kamath has also accompanied her for the event.

"I have two WTT events coming up in the US. But I don't know if Manikadi will be partnering with me. Of course, after that we will have to concentrate on the preparations for the Commonwealth Games and Asian Games later this year. I want to do well in such major competitions and make the country proud," added Archana.

She said she started her doubles journey in 2018 with Manika 'di'. "We played in some events in 2019 as well before the pandemic brought everything to a halt. We got together again to compete in Slovenia in November 2021 when we were ranked 36th in the world," said Archana.

"We won that event and that gave us a lot of confidence. Later, we did well to enter the quarterfinals of the World championships. We went from strength to strength from then on and we hope to rise higher," said Archana.

Their individual playing styles and positive attitude have helped them complement each other.

"The exposure of facing different opponents with varied styles of play enhances my skill sets. I get to learn a lot from Manika, my more experienced partner. Doing well against the top players in the world gives me a lot of confidence which I hope to do better in singles as well," explained Archana.

Olympian Srihari Nataraj to take Khelo India oath

The second edition of the Khelo India University Games, which will be formally inaugurated by Venkaiah Naidu, Vice President of India, on April 24 at the Sree Kanteerava Stadium, will see about 4,500 athletes representing nearly 200 Universities in 20 disciplines vying for honours. India's Olympian swimmer Srihari Nataraj, who represented the country in the 2020 Tokyo Olympics, will take the Oath on behalf of the athletes.

Before the oath-taking ceremony, Hockey International SV Sunil and athlete Sahana Kumar will hand over the torch to the younger athletes. The 18-year-old archery exponent Tanisha Verma and the 21-year-old rising badminton star K. Sai Pratheek will run a leg of the torch relay before handing it over to the 19-year-old Vinka, gold medal winner in the 2019 Asian Youth boxing championships 64kg class, and tennis player Lokitaksha Badrinath to run the final lap and light the digial flame of the games. A total of 257 gold medals will be up for grabs in archery, athletics, badminton, basketball, boxing, fencing, football, hockey, judo, kabaddi, karate, shooting, swimming, tennis, table tennis, volleyball, weightlifting, wrestling. Mallakhamb and Yogasana have been added this year.

The events, some of which kicked-off today (April 23) itself, will be staged at the Jain Global University campus, Jain Sports School, Sri Kanteerava Stadium, Hockey Stadium, and Sports Authority of India's Centre of Excellence.

Defending champions Panjab University (Chandigarh) and runners-up Savitribai Phule Pune University (Pune) have sent large contingents in an effort to scoop up the medals. compete intensely.

Some promising young sportspersons are in the fray. The Sports Ministry's TOPS development athletes Yashveer (javelin), Jeswin Aldrin, Sandra Babu and Ancy Sojan (all long jump), Madhu Vedwan (archery), Vinka and Sachin Siwach (boxing), Maisnam Meiraba and Shikha Gautam (badminton), Oinam Jubraj (fencing), Unnati (judo), shooters Divyansh Singh and Aishwari Pratap Singh Tomar will be seen in action. With the Commonwealth Games and Asian Games coming up this year, their performances will be watched with interest.

"We are proud to be hosting the event and showcase Karnataka as a sporting hub as well," said Dr Shankar KV Director of Sports, Jain Group of Institutions. **–BMB**

68, UNLUCKY NUMBER: Invited to bat, Royal Challengers Bangalore were bundled off with 68 runs by Sunrisers Hyderabad in their IPL match in Mumbai on Saturday. This was the sixth lowest total in the history of IPL. SRH won pretty easily with 72 balls to spare

Harry Kane's team is our team

England football captain says Faf du Plessis-led RCB can do wonders this season as they have picked 'good players'

England and Tottenham Hotspur captain Harry Kane has revealed that he supports the Royal Challengers Bangalore (RCB) franchise in the Indian Premier League, adding that he has been lucky enough to meet Virat Kohli a few times and speak with him.

The 28-year old footballer believes RCB have picked some good players in the IPL 2022 mega auction and the Faf du Plessis-led side can do wonders this season.

"So my team is RCB. I have been lucky enough to meet Virat Kohli a few times and speak with him. They have picked up some good players this time," Kane told Star Sports.

"They were unlucky last year but they did the right things this year, they started well. There are some great teams at the IPL. I just like watching all of them to be honest but hopefully RCB can go well," he added.

The England football team skipper also praised Kohli's batting and called the former India captain a 'down to earth guy'.

"Virat is incredible to watch. A real down to earth guy. He has fire in his batting and passion when you watch him play which is great to see," said Kane.

"We have been playing cricket for a year and a half and so we were playing pretty much once or twice a week and that was good fun. We enjoy playing cricket, obviously, the IPL is on at the moment so we're enjoying watching that as well," he added.

RCB have won five out of seven matches in the ongoing season and are at the third spot with 10 points. **–IANS**

TRACKING IPL 2022

THE SUNDAY READ

A Fantastic Voyage

From sending nano robots inside body to creating artificial pancreas, IISc is at the threshold of breakthrough revolution in human body

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The Indian Institute of Science may soon have a 'Fantastic Voyage'. Akin to the Hollywood Sci-Fi thriller where a scientist used miniature technology to enter the body for curing ailments, IISc scientists are soon set to send nano robots which can enter the body to treat specific ailments.

In fact, the premiere science institute has a lot more to offer.

Nano robotics inside body

"IISc is now bringing some of the futuristic technologies to reality. A Postgraduate medical school will be set up at IISc which will experiment with nanorobotics. The scientists will place bio compatible robotic devices and we will be able to guide them through electromagnetic fields to go through the human body. These robotic devices will be loaded with appropriate cargo. These will be specifically useful to oncological treatments where necessary areas can be easily targeted at precise spots. This we have already demonstrated in the lab where nanorobots are sent through tissues. With this, the vision of Fantastic Voyage will come to reality at IISc," Prof G Rangarajan, IISc director said.

Touch tele consultation

Currently, teleconsultation is the most popular form of consultation in the Covid times. Though the doctors get a chance to interact with the patients digitally, there is still the aspect of touch missing. Inaugurating rotobic surgery at NU Hospital, Rangarajan said, "This is what the IISc is now planning to bridge. We are now planning to integrate telemedicine with haptics (technology of transmitting and understanding information through touch). This will be a technological advance where we the doctors not only see the patient but will also have a sense of touch. Through haptic devices, the doctors will be able to digitally touch the patient which may result in better diagnostics."

Genomic profiling

He said that the future is precision medicine. "If we look at any disease, it is a whole continuum. Each individual is different, this is the reason why no generic medicine will work for everyone. So, we want to harness computer skills, genome sequencing. For example, India has started a genome sequence project where a lakh genomes are being sequenced. This is going to give a first India-specific genome mapping of the country. Once we have this specific to India, we can hope to develop precision medicine where we can tailor the cure for the person based on his/her genomic profile. Now, doing genome analysis is becoming cheaper by day. This can be affordable for a large population. The logical next step is to tailor the treatment for the individual."

Digital clone

The future of health care is body on a chip. The organs will be connected by microfluidics and will be coded to chip. These will mimic the whole organs on a human chip. "The reason we would like to do is to phase one trial may be offloaded to this process. We can explore various drugs and what effect each drug has on this chip before you start human trials. This is the futuristic way of health care. Ultimately, the goal is to have a digital twin who is a digital copy of an individual including organs. This will take precision medicine to the next level. This will give a realistic depiction of an individual the experiment will be done on a digital twin before doing on the patient," he said.

Artificial pancreas

Some other futuristic technology is also on the way. He said artificial pancreas will be a game changer. "The continuous glucose monitoring devices are prevalent and keep on monitoring. This allows controlling the insulin precisely. In engineering parlance, it is called an open loop control where you are detecting but not getting a full feedback of what is happening. Currently, at IISc, we are developing an artificial pancreas with a close loop system Artificial Intelligence Markup Language systems where we measure it and with feedback loops, we can tailored the insulin doses where the person will not have either hypoglycemia (blood sugar is lower than normal) or hyperglycemia (blood glucose goes above normal)."

Affordable technology

"Our goal should be affordable technology. For example, during Covid, we have seen monoclonal antibodies which cost Rs 65,000 which not many cannot afford. Pfizer or others will do it for the developed world. We need to bring these technologies to our population at affordable rates," the IISc director said.

"Scientists will place bio compatible robotic devices and we will be able to guide them through electromagnetic fields to go through the human body
–Prof G Rangarajan, IISc director

Govt cuts LIC IPO size to 3.5%

The government is likely to cut the size of the initial public offering of LIC to 3.5 per cent to raise around Rs 21,000 crore from the issue which would hit the capital markets in the first week of the next month.

The government in February had planned to sell a 5 per cent stake in Life Insurance Corporation (LIC). However, the ongoing market volatility due to the Russia-Ukraine war has made it lower the IPO size.

At this price, LIC, which is 100 per cent government-owned, is valued at Rs 6 lakh crore.

LIC is likely to file the red herring prospectus with market regulator Sebi by Wednesday.

"LIC IPO is likely to come to the market in May first week. 3.5 per cent stake dilution, subject to regulatory approval," an official said.

Reservations for policyholders and employees, and discounts, issue dates and issue price will be known by Wednesday, the official added.

In February, LIC had filed draft papers with Sebi wherein it had said that the government will sell 5 per cent stake or 31.6 crore shares in the state-run insurer. LIC's embedded value, which is a measure of the consolidated shareholders value in an insurance company, was pegged at about Rs 5.4 lakh crore as of September 30, 2021, by international actuarial firm Milliman Advisors. LIC IPO would contribute a major chunk to the budgeted disinvestment proceeds in the current fiscal.

Plan is to raise around Rs 21,000 crore from the issue which is most likely to hit the capital markets in the first week of the next month

A Reuters report had quoted an investment banking source saying, "There is absolutely no demand in the market right now for IPOs. Considering the volatility in the market, investors are continuing to remain cautious. At such times doing a higher stake sale does not make sense."

Agencies

As Netflix cuts cost, content could go awry

Content producers in India worry cut may have adverse effect on quality

Netflix's decision to cut costs may impact the Indian movie and soap industry, which had started paying top dollars to talent on a surge in demand from OTT platforms, and the global streaming giant's quality of content, industry insiders said.

Most of the content producers ET spoke with were of the view that Netflix had already started cutting budgets of the films and shows, and the new announcement could make things tougher.

"We are witnessing a change since the last few months as Netflix has started talking about the cost of shows, which they never did in the past," said a top producer, requesting anonymity. "Now with global cuts announced, there will be more pressure on margins."

Till last year, Netflix executives told producers not to think about budgets but asked for the best quality, he said. "They have shelved shows, which didn't meet their expectations, after spending over Rs 150 crore in that," the producer said. "But now they are coming up with budgets which are not even comparable to what Amazon Prime and Disney+Hotstar is offering for a similar project."

After announcing its global results for the first quarter ended in March, when the company for the first time in over a decade posted a drop in subscriber numbers, Netflix COO and chief product officer Greg Peters had said in an investor call that the company is pulling back on some spend growth across both content and non-content spend. "But still growing our spend and still investing aggressively into that long-term opportunity," he had said. Indian producers and analysts feel the impact of cost-cutting will be bigger in India, which is not one of the big markets for Netflix and is one where it had to reduce prices to get subscribers, possibly leading to a decline in its content quality and popularity compared with its competitors.

Morale of its employees already seems down.

"Earlier this year, Reed Hastings (cofounder and co-CEO of Netflix) said that it was frustrating to see that they were not as successful in India as other markets. And since then, while they have been trying to get the content right, it's far from achieving the target," a former Netflix employee said on condition of anonymity. "The bigger problem today is that all or most of the hiring is frozen, there are no increments or promotions," the person said.

In India, while the company announced a drop in subscription prices, it is yet to see major growth that could compensate for the fall in the average revenue per user (ARPU). COO Peters had said in the earnings call that the price drop in India was a "bet" in terms of "long-term revenue maximisation".

— Gaurav Laghate, ET Bureau

Batches of Ola electric scooters to be recalled

Pune fire incident (file photo)

Bhavish Aggarwal, the founder and CEO of Ola, said on Saturday that a few batches of its electric scooters may be recalled based on recommendations given by investigators looking into recent EV fires, ET Now reported.

This comes close on the heels of reports about a recent e-scooter fire in Guwahati, which caused the rider to be hospitalised. The company, in response, said the fire was not caused by any malfunction in its vehicle, but rather due to over-speeding and panic-braking by the rider. In March-end an Ola S1 Pro scooter had caught fire in Pune.

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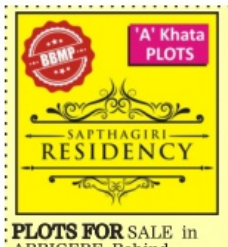

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The latest rumours doing the round state the actors Sidharth Malhotra and Kiara Advani have called it quits on their romance after years of dating.

The couple, who met on the sets of 'Shershaah', stopped meeting each other as they have 'fallen out of love' states BollywoodLife.com. While the reason behind their separation is still unknown, it does come as a heartbreak to fans and shippers who were rooting for a wedding announcement.

Although both Sid and Kiara have never admitted to their relationship, the pair have often been spotted heading out on romantic holidays, partying together and even meeting each other's families. Rumours were rife that the couple was set to make their relationship official, if not go all the way and take the plunge.

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Ban on 'Doctor Strange...' in Saudi Arabia

Marvel Studios' much anticipated movie "Doctor Strange in the Multiverse of Madness" has been banned in Saudi Arabia and several other Arab countries due to the presence of a gay character.

The "Doctor Strange" sequel, which will release in the US on May 6, was originally scheduled for hit theatres in the Saudi Arabia and other Gulf countries on May 5.

According to Variety, the Saudi Arabian censors didn't issue the distribution certificate to the Benedict Cumberbatch-led superhero movie.

The Sam Raimi-directed sequel stars Cumberbatch as the titular character and also features new hero America Chavez, played by actor Xochitl Gomez. Her character in the film is reportedly gay.

Prior to "Doctor Strange in the Multiverse of Madness", Marvel's "The Eternals" was banned in Saudi Arabia, over its same-gender couple romance and the Marvel Cinematic Universe's first gay superhero.

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I, POONAMBEN VASUDEVBHAI, W/o. VASUDEV MANGHANDAS LULLA residing at Flat No. 105, 1st Floor, Renuka Residency, Panathur Village, Varthur Hobli, Bangalore 560087 have changed my name to POONAM LULLA vide affidavit dated 22.04.2022 sworn before notary D S Chandrakanth, Bangalore.

I, MONICA VASUDEVBHAI LULLA, D/o. VASUDEV MANGHANDAS LULLA residing at Flat No. 105, 1st Floor, Renuka Residency, Panathur Village, Varthur Hobli, Bangalore 560087 have changed my name to MONICA LULLA vide affidavit dated 22.04.2022 sworn before notary D S Chandrakanth, Bangalore.

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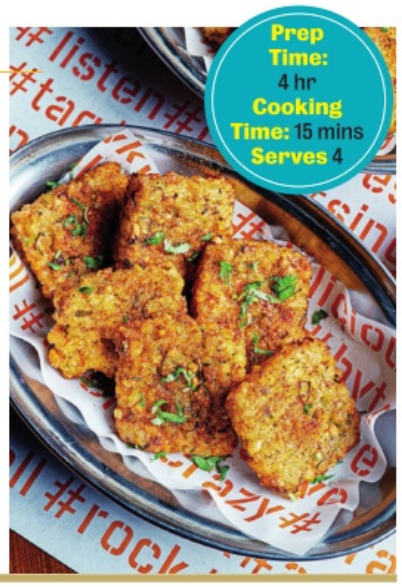
METHOD
For Marination
- In a mixing bowl, add curd, ginger-garlic paste & whisk in spice powder. Add mustard oil, salt & chicken wings in tandoori marination. Combine & mix thoroughly to coat well. Let it marinate for 45 minutes. Pre-heat oven at 180c. Arrange marinated chicken wings in baking tray & cook in pre-heated oven for 15 to 20 minutes or until slightly charred. Remove from baking tray & in a mixing bowl, lightly toss in melted butter, cream, chopped coriander leaves & chat masala. Serve tandoori wings with onion slices, garnish with mint sprig & lemon wedges.

SHIVAJI PARK SABUDANA VADA

INGREDIENTS
- Sabudana: 1 cup
- Peanuts, roasted: 3/4th cup
- Potatoes, boiled & grated: 4
- Green chillies, chopped: 4 tbsp
- Coriander leaves, chopped: 2 tbsp
- Chaat masala: 1 tsp
- Rice flour: 1 & 1/2 tbsp
- Black salt powder: 1/2 tsp
- Salt: to taste
- Oil: 200 ml

METHOD
- Rinse sabudana twice draining all the water; soak them in water for 4 to 5 hours. Grind roasted peanuts to a coarse powder. Combine these in a bowl along with grated potatoes, roasted peanut powder & rest of the ingredients except oil. Combine & mix thoroughly; season to taste. Divide mixture into equal-sized balls & shape them into a flat patty. Heat oil for deep-frying in a saucepan, gently drop vadas & let them cook on medium heat till golden brown & crisp. Remove from oil & drain on paper towel. Serve hot with coconut chutney.



Prep Time: 4 hr
Cooking Time: 15 mins
Serves 4

ROYAL LAL MASS PAO

INGREDIENTS
For mutton
- Mutton leg, boneless: 400 gm
- Water: 2 cups
- Ginger-garlic paste: 2 tbsp
- Black cardamom: 2
- Cinnamon: 1
- Green cardamom: 2 to 3 pods
- Mace: a pinch
- Salt: to taste

For lal maas masala
- Oil: 150 ml
- Ghee: 80 gm
- Kashmiri chilli: 18 - 20
- Onion, chopped: 2
- Green chillies, chopped: 1 tbsp
- Cumin powder: 1 tbsp
- Coriander powder: 1 tbsp
- Garam masala powder: 1 tsp
- Fresh tomato puree: 1 cup
- Coriander leaves, chopped: 2 tbsp
- Salt: to taste

Finishing
- Pav: 8
- Butter: 2 tbsp

Serve
- Mint chutney
- Fryums
- Garnish
- Lemon wedge
- Mint sprig

METHOD
For Lal Maas
- Pressure-cook mutton leg with water, ginger-garlic paste, whole spices & salt until it's tender or till 4 to 5 whistles on medium heat. Strain & reserve the stock. With the help of fork, pull apart boiled mutton & keep aside.

Prep Time: 1 hr
Cooking Time: 20 mins
Serves 4

For lal maas masala
- Dry-roast red chillies in pan, once done, grind to fine powder. In a medium-sized pan, heat oil & ghee together, add chopped onion, chopped green chillies & cook for 7 to 8 minutes or slightly brown in colour. Now add powdered spices & fresh tomato puree & slowly ladle mutton stock until puree is cooked well. Season to taste & finish with chopped coriander leaves.

For finishing
- Re-heat lal maas masala in a pan, add pulled mutton & toss well to coat evenly. Season to taste. Slit pav into halves & put in a pan on medium flame, coating with melted butter. Remove from pan & spoon lal maas filling into each pao. Serve with laccha onion, mint chutney, fryums & garnish with lemon wedge & mint sprig.

By Saurabh Arora, City Chef, SOCIAL

All problems solved

Dear Coleen

I'm a married man in my 30s and want to ask you if I'd be stepping over the line by having a drink with a female colleague after work? I get on very well with this woman - we've been working together for a few months - but she's a bit younger and single, and I wouldn't want her or anyone else to get the wrong idea. She suggested the drink to discuss a project we're working on together. I don't want to be rude by saying no, but I'd love your opinion.

COLEEN SAYS
On the surface of it, it seems innocent enough - colleagues discuss work over drinks, lunch and coffee all the time. However, the fact you've written to me about it suggests there might be something else at play. Are you attracted to her or do you think she's attracted to you? Do you think there's the potential for something other than a working relationship to develop?
If you're questioning it and don't want her to get the wrong idea, then why not suggest a coffee during the day or just book a meeting room and discuss things at work? It's not rude to say you're busy in the evenings.
Affairs in the workplace - sexual and emotional - happen all the time because we spend so much time with our colleagues. So I think if you feel you're putting yourself in a risky situation, then just don't go there.
You don't have to go for a drink to discuss work when you're in the office together all day, which makes me think she might just want to go for a drink with you! You already have a relationship with this woman and if your gut is telling you a drink would be overstepping the line, then I think it probably is.
—Coleen Nolan, Daily Mirror

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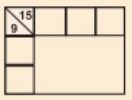
Chai-Time

SOLVE IT IN A MINUTE

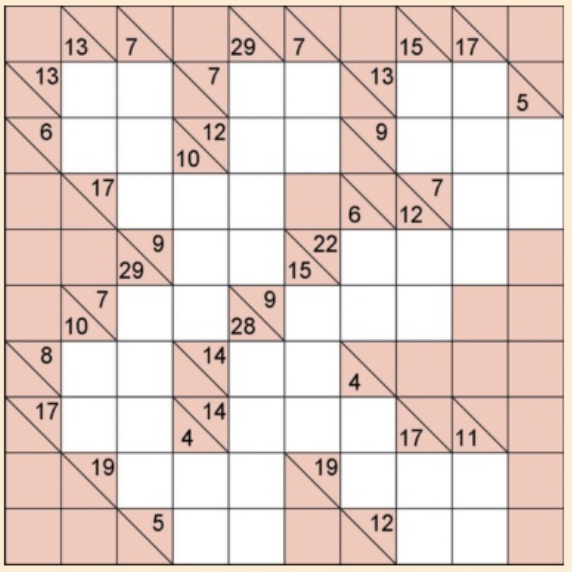
$\sqrt{144}-\sqrt{x}=\sqrt{49}$
$x=?$

Kakuro

The numbers in the grey squares refer to the sums of the digits that you must fill into the empty spaces directly below or to the right of the grey square containing the number. For instance, in the given example, the 3 boxes horizontally next to 15 must contain 3 digits that add up to 15, whereas for 9, it is the 2 boxes placed vertically under it that must add up to 9. No zeros are used here, only the digits 1 through 9.



Note: A digit cannot appear more than once in any particular digit combination. For instance, in the example, we cannot have the combination of 4+7+4 for 15.



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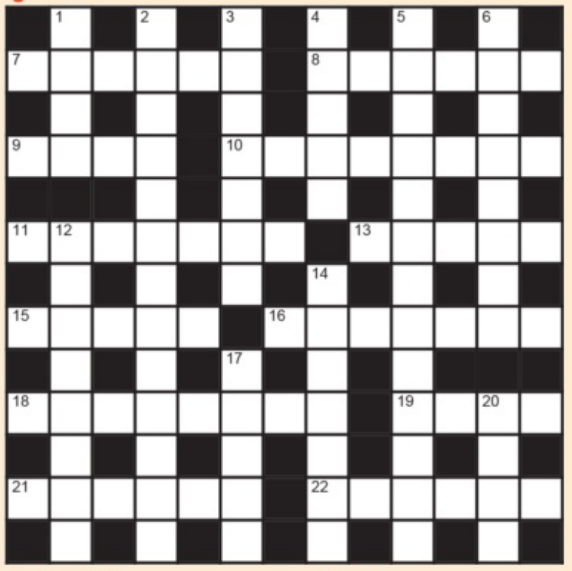


ACROSS

7 Higher in rank (6)
8 Declared or confessed, asserted (6)
9 Fastener or clasp (4)
10 Extremely enthusiastic (4,4)
11 Gets the better of (7)
13 Karnataka town whose name is associated with South Indian food (5)
15 Havana native (5)
16 Achieves or accomplishes (7)
18 Indian holy city (8)
19 Chime (4)
21 Cutting with an axe (6)
22 One of Jupiter's moons (6)

DOWN

1 The sixth letter of Greek alphabet (4)
2 Bobby in Bobby (6,7)
3 Importance or seriousness (7)
4 Priest or monk (5)
5 Stared malevolently (6,7)
6 Immediately after this (8)
12 Strove to equal (8)
14 Tries hard; struggles or contends (7)
17 Sudden pains (5)
20 Sleeps briefly (4)

Quoteuncode

This puzzle is a substitution cipher in which one letter stands for another. If you think that Q equals C, it will equal C throughout the puzzle. Single letters, short words and words using an apostrophe give you clues to locating vowels. Solution is by trial and error.

Today's CLUE: I EQUALS H

IW INDI SGWWMXK HIXYX UWNGWDI BOWNZ NZM BXZYD-NZD IWNGD HTDITZ.

Linemaro

Are you Rajesh's wife? No? Want to try and be mine?

Mindchow

Success is 10% inspiration, 90% last-minute changes

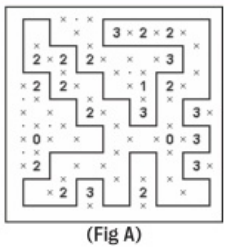
Joke of the day

When two egotists meet, it's an I for an I

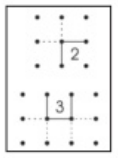
Loop

Rules

» Connect adjacent dots with vertical or horizontal lines, creating a single loop (Fig A). » Crossovers or branches are not allowed (As shown by dotted lines in Fig B). » Numbers in the puzzle indicate the number of lines that should surround it, while empty cells may be surrounded by any number of lines. » You can't draw lines around zeros. » Each puzzle has just one unique solution.



(Fig A)



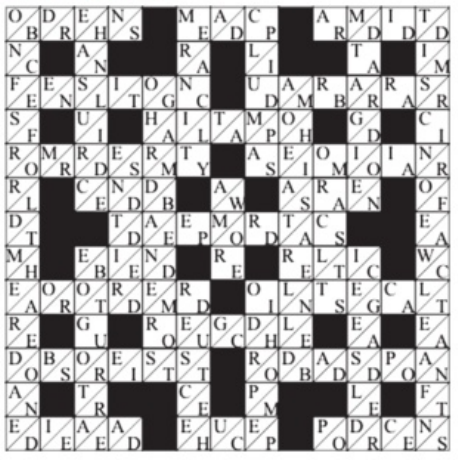
(Fig B) Not Allowed

How to begin:

Example (Fig A) – Begin with the zero next to 3. Since no lines can be drawn around zero, mark crosses around it, as shown. Now there is a cross in one space around 3. So we know the three lines of 3 can only be drawn in the remaining three spaces. Next, these lines can only be extended in one direction each. Continue, using the same logic.

Hints: Keep eliminating possibilities by marking crosses in spaces between dots where a line isn't possible, i.e., if you have already completed required lines or where a line extension may create a branch or cause a dead-end (Fig B)

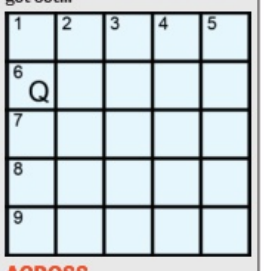
Strikeout



This crossword has no clues and the answer is there waiting for you. All you have to do is find it in each square. You have a choice of two letters, one of which you must strike out. If you choose correctly, you will be left with a grid that contains real words.

Fast five

How long do you think it will take you to unscramble the ten words shown below and fit them correctly into the grid in the order given one letter has already been entered to get you started? on your marks, get set...



ACROSS

1 K sags; 6 Lab IQ;
7 Haunt; 8 Oared;
9 Beard

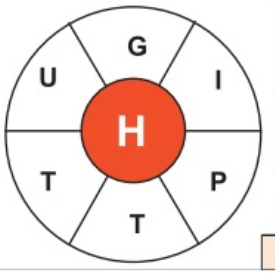
DOWN

1 QB USA; 2 A kind;
3 Or bah; 4 Elgar;
5 Stead

Mensapuzzle

What does this represent:

Bull's eye



How many words of four or more letters can you make from the letters shown? Every word must contain the central letter. There should be one seven-letter word. British English Dictionary is used as a reference.

02 Average; 03 Good; 04 Outstanding

SudokuChallenge

		9			5		6	7
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5	9			4		6		
			5		1			
		7		3			8	5
8						3	5	
				6	3	7		
6	3		4			1		

To solve a Sudoku puzzle, every digit from one to nine must appear in each of the nine vertical columns, in each of the nine horizontal rows and in each of the nine boxes.

Gofigure

Place the four numbers in the first, third, fifth, and seventh boxes and whatever operators you care to use in the second, fourth, and sixth boxes in the correct order to get the answer. Use the numbers only once.

Easy = 25
4 6 7 8

Medium = 21
2 7 8 8

Hard = 14
3 7 9 6

HOCUS-FOCUS

BY HENRY BOLTINOFF

Find at least six differences in details between panels.

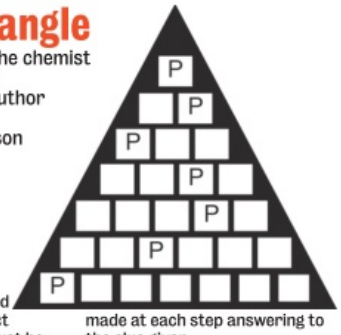
Differences: 1. Briefcase is larger. 2. Mouth is open. 3. Chair is moved. 4. Hair is different. 5. Hat is larger. 6. Bow tie is missing.

Riddler

When red and orange fill the sky And daylight's glow is fading, I raise my bow and fiddle high And start my serenading. A single note is all I play, The tempo's all I vary. I'm somber on a chilly day But when it's warm I'm merry. What am I?

Alpha triangle

1 Phosphorus for the chemist
2 Operation , abbr.
3 "The Gold Bug" author
4 Be gloomy
5 Nearsighted person
6 Use
7 Nylon, for one



Beginning at the top move towards the bottom seven-letter word by adding a letter at each step and rearranging. A correct and different word must be made at each step answering to the clue given.

DIFFICULT TO SOLVE? FIND THESE SOLUTIONS ON THE NEXT PAGE »

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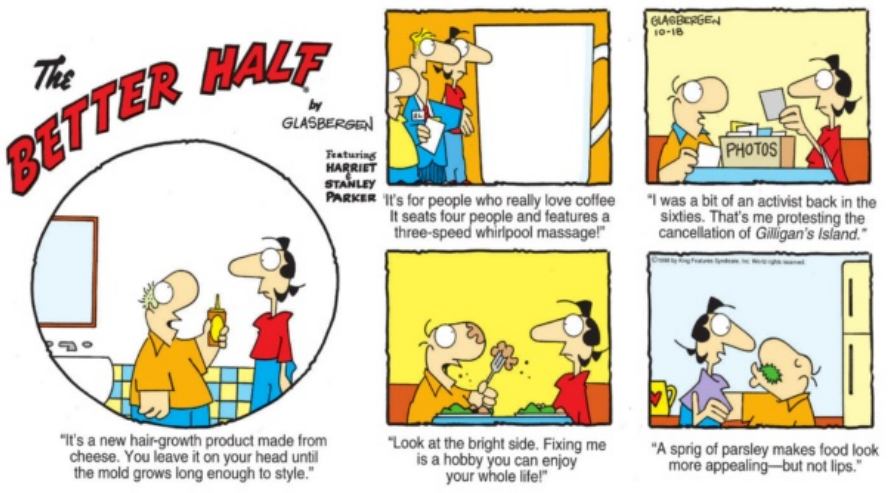
The BETTER HALF
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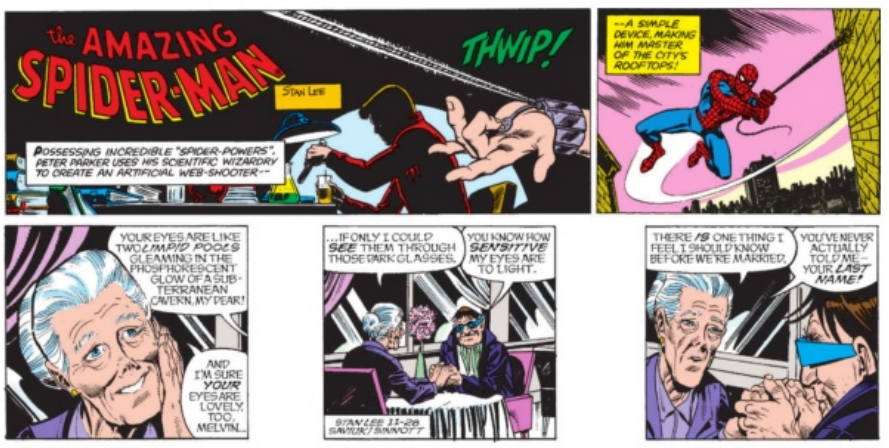
"It's a new hair-growth product made from cheese. You leave it on your head until the mold grows long enough to style."
"It's for people who really love coffee It seats four people and features a three-speed whirlpool massage!"
"I was a bit of an activist back in the sixties. That's me protesting the cancellation of Gilligan's Island."
"Look at the bright side. Fixing me is a hobby you can enjoy your whole life!"
"A sprig of parsley makes food look more appealing—but not lips."

BABY BLUES
BY RICK KIRKMAN & JERRY SCOTT
YES. I'D LIKE TO ORDER A LARGE PEPPERONI PIZZA.
ANYTHING ELSE?
UMMM... YES.
BE SURE THAT EACH SLICE OF PEPPERONI IS EXACTLY THE SAME SIZE, NONE OF THEM ARE TOUCHING, AND THE TOTAL NUMBER IS EXACTLY DIVISIBLE BY THREE.
PREFERABLY COOKED BY LASER BEAMS FROM A KILLER ROBOT'S EYES!
OH, HI, MRS. MacPHERSON.


the AMAZING SPIDER-MAN
STAN LEE
THWIP!
POSSESSING INCREDIBLE "SPIDER-POWERS", PETER PARKER USES HIS SCIENTIFIC WIZARDRY TO CREATE AN ARTIFICIAL WEB-SHOOTER--
--A SIMPLE DEVICE, MAKING HIM MASTER OF THE CITY'S ROOFTOPS!
YOUR EYES ARE LIKE TWO CLAMPED POOLS GLEAMING IN THE PHOSPHORESCENT GLOW OF A SUB-TERRANEAN CAVERN, MY DEAR!
AND I'M SURE YOUR EYES ARE LOVELY, TOO, MELVIN...
...IF ONLY I COULD SEE THEM THROUGH THOSE DARK GLASSES.
YOU KNOW HOW SENSITIVE MY EYES ARE TO LIGHT.
STAN LEE 11-28 SAL BUSCEMA
THERE IS ONE THING I FEEL I SHOULD KNOW BEFORE WE'RE MARRIED.
YOU'VE NEVER ACTUALLY TOLD ME YOUR LAST NAME!
A CARELESS OVERSIGHT, I ASSURE YOU.
MY LAST NAME IS KURTZMAN!
I HATE SPYING ON MAY AND HER FIANCÉ.
BUT WITH MOLEY ON THE LAM FROM THAT TYRANNUS GUY...
I NEED TO KEEP AN EYE ON BOTH OF THEM!
AND, SOME DISTANCE BENEATH PETER'S FEET...
THE TIME IS FAST APPROACHING WHEN I SHALL HAVE MY FINAL RECKONING WITH THE MOLE MAN!
STREET-LEVEL SPY-DRONES!

WHAT YOUR STARS SAY TODAY

Aries Mar 21 – Apr 20
Today, you may be very happy. You will be busy at work. Your seniors may be happy and appreciate your work. You may have some changes into your place, position or responsibilities at work, in terms of promotions. Your opponents and hidden enemies may be under control now. Singles and love birds may make important decisions in terms of marriage with the help of relatives or friends

Taurus Apr 21 – May 20
Today, yesterday's messy situation is under control. You are blessed by the moon. You may initiate your postponed works. With blessings, you may get reward of your hard work. There are some gains in your business, which may boost your finance. You may spend money on artefacts or literature. You may also plan for an overseas travel.

Gemini May 21 – Jun 21
Today, you may be busy with family issues. You may explore your extra sources of income in terms of gains. You may take interest into artefacts, movies and glamour, which may improve your creativity. Love birds will have a clear view in terms of their relationships. Students may now go ahead with their aim in terms of career.

Cancer Jun 22 – July 23
Today, you may not feel well and might have health issues. This may affect your profession and domestic life. You may be upset due to your spouse's health issues. Your patience may be tested many times. You are advised not to make investments in new business projects, otherwise you may face losses. Students are advised to avoid fantasy and should work hard in their studies.

Leo Jul 24 – Aug 23
Today, you are blessed by the positive moon. You may feel healthy; old health issues may get cured now. Money, which was stuck, may get recovered now. You may also apply for a loan for buying some stuff related to luxury.

Virgo Aug 24 – Sep 23
Today, you may feel very dull. It may make you lazy and careless; you are likely to be unfocused at work. Impatience may pull you down negatively. Kids and spouse's health may make you upset. You should avoid investing in assets. Love birds should avoid to make arguments in family matters.

Libra Sep 24 – Oct 22
Today, you may find negative vibrations around you, which may make you unhappy. You are advised to avoid making investments on worthless assts. Your friends are not likely to be supportive today. You should not expect much from them, otherwise it may make you more upset. You are advised to follow intuitions before making important decisions today.

Scorpio Oct 23 – Nov 22
Today, you may be able to implement business plans successful with support from your subordinates. You may be involved in some social or family get-togethers, which may boost your network. You may go for short business-related trips, which may give you benefits in the near future.

Sagittarius Nov 23 – Dec 22
Today is a good day; your financial health is likely to be good. You may get benefits from your past investments. You may control spending money on worthless stuffs, which may boost your savings. Love birds are advised to be polite in conversations with the partner, otherwise there may be some conflicts between them.

Capricorn Dec 23 – Jan 20
Today, you are blessed by the moon. It's a good day for you. You have good vitality and energy. You may enjoy at work and may enjoy romantic moments with the spouse, which may improve family harmony. You are likely to make new plans to start some new projects; your perfection may help you to design the flow chart. Job aspirants will find a good job. Love birds are advised to avoid discussions on worthless topics.

Aquarius Jan 21 – Feb 19
Toda, you may be disappointed. You are advised to control your arrogance, otherwise you may face some losses due to your speaking while you are talking with anyone. Love birds should be careful in discussion otherwise, relation may be get affected.

Pisces Feb 20 – Mar 20
Today, you are blessed by the moon; new sources of income may open. Your past investments will now start paying in terms of profits. Your losses will convert into profits, which will boost your financial health. Health issues related to parents may resolve.

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SOLUTIONS

SOLVE IN 1M
(144)^(1/2)-(x)^(1/2)=(49)^(1/2)
=12-x^(1/2)=7
=x^(1/2)=12-7
=x^(1/2)=5
=x=5^2
=x=25

BULL'S EYE
pitch, thug, tight, UPTIGHT

FAST FIVE

S	K	A	G	S
Q	I	B	L	A
U	N	H	A	T
A	D	O	R	E
B	A	R	E	D

STRIKE OUT

O	R	E	S	M	A	P	A	M	I	D
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QUICK

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MENSA PUZZLE
Coloring between the lines

RIDDLER A cricket

QUOTE UNCODE
He hath freedom whoso beareth clean and constant heart within.

SUDOKU

6	3	2	4	5	7	1	9	8
9	1	5	8	6	3	7	2	4
8	7	4	9	1	2	3	5	6
1	4	7	6	3	9	2	8	5
2	6	8	5	7	1	9	4	3
5	9	3	2	4	8	6	7	1
7	5	6	3	9	4	8	1	2
4	2	1	7	8	6	5	3	9
3	8	9	1	2	5	4	6	7

ALPHA TRIANGLE
P, Op, Poe, Mope, Mype, Employ, Polymer.

GO FIGURE
Easy
6 + 4 + 8 + 7 = 25
Medium
7 + 8 + 8 – 2 = 21
Hard
6 x 3 / 9 x 7 = 14

LOOP

KAKURO

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SCAN THE QR CODE TO EXPERIENCE INDULGENCE.

CREATE. INSPIRE.

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- ABS WITH EBD
- PEDESTRIAN PROTECTION COMPLIANCE
- COMPLIANT WITH -
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